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Detroit, Nov. 10, 1873.

My Dear Sir:

As Chairman of the Committees on Climate, and on Sewerage and Drainage, of the State Board of Health, I take the liberty of addressing you in the interest of the public health. Information is desired, as full and complete as you may be able to give, upon the following subjects, viz.: Topography of your township and city, or village; geological formation; natural vegetation; and natural drainage, or water-shed; public drains or ditches in township; and artificial drainage and sewerage, in your city or village; the annual rain-fall; number of cloudy days; number and duration of fogs; number of clear days; date of first and last snow, with average depth; direction and force of prevailing winds; and range of thermometer, dry and wet bulb.

It is intended, under the above headings, to call out all the information needed to give a complete summary of the climate, and of the sewerage and drainage in your immediate vicinity. Please enclose your report within ten days from the receipt of this communication.

Very respectfully,

Henry F. Lyster, M. D.,

Member State Board of Health.

